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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

Thin-Film Magnetic Head, Method of Manufacturing the Same, Head Gimbal Assembly, and Hard Disk Drive

the specification of which

- ☐ is attached hereto.
☒ was filed on September 29, 2003
 as United States Application Serial Number 10/671440 and,
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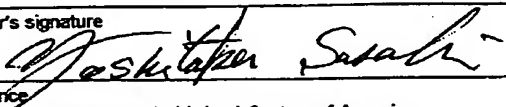
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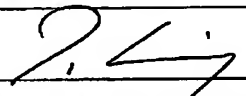
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PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATIONS, BENEFIT CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC §119(a)

Application Number	Country	Date of Filing (Day/Month/Year)	Priority Claimed Under 35 USC 119
<u>2002-102695</u>	<u>Japan</u>	<u>04 / April / 2002</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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